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Applicant: Kwan, et al.

Serial No.: 09/494,327

Examiner: Markoff, Alexander

Case: 4209

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Group Art Unit: 1746

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CLEANING A SEMICONDUCTOR

WAFER PROCESSING SYSTEM

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In response to the Office Action (paper number 4) dated February 8, 2002, which imposed a restriction requirement in the above-captioned patent application, the Applicants elect claims 6-10 (Group II) without traverse for consideration by the Examiner. Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issue are earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that any unresolved issues still exist, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Keith Taboada at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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